UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice PS-597**

For: State and County Offices

Software Enhancements for Certified eLDP Applications Indicator

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs

1 Overview

A Background

15-PS, subparagraph 52 A allows eLDP applications to be processed for quantities:

- stored on the farm (farm-stored)
- harvested and delivered directly from the field (field direct)
- delivered to the warehouse for storage (load summary or warehouse-stored).

8-LP, subparagraph 301.5 F allows producers to request a certified LDP or a LDP supported by acceptable production evidence, as provided in 8-LP, subparagraph 535 C. All certified LDP's are subject to random spot checking.

The eLDP software has no way of recording LDP's that are supported by acceptable production evidence. Currently, the eLDP software considers all eLDP's as certified including but not limited to:

- LDP's supported by load summary sheets
- warehouse-stored LDP requests
- measured LDP requests.

eLDP software has been enhanced to provide a certified LDP data entry field to allow County Offices to indicate if the LDP submitted is certified.

B Purpose

This notice informs State and County Offices of a new required certified LDP indicator data field in the eLDP software.

Disposal Date	Distribution
December 1, 2007	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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C Contact

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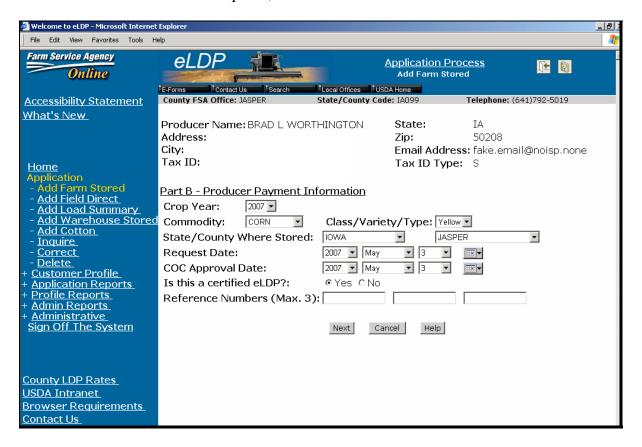
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2 Certified eLDP Indicator

A Farm-Stored Applications

eLDP software has been enhanced to provide for a certified eLDP indicator. The default answer will be "Yes".

For farm-stored certified LDP requests, the certified eLDP indicator shall be "Yes".



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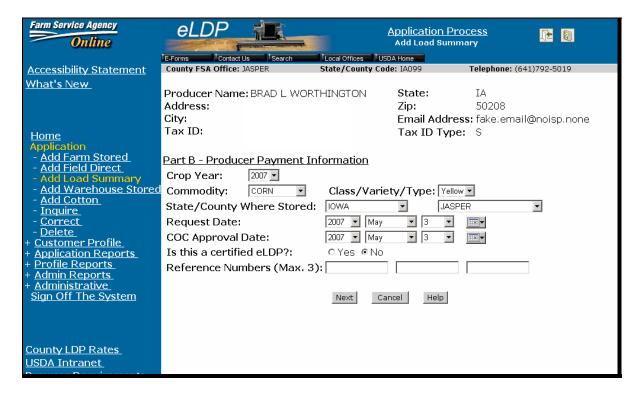
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B LDP Request With Acceptable Production Evidence

County Offices shall change the certified eLDP indicator to "No", when the producer has provided acceptable production evidence as provided in 8-LP, subparagraph 535 C.

Note: eLDP software does not provide for offsetting measurement service fees. LDP requests submitted by producers who request an offset of the measurement service fee from the disbursed LDP amount must be processed in APSS.

If load summary sheets or delivery records are provided, instead of negotiable warehouse receipts, the producer is responsible for providing production evidence that includes a certification statement according to 8-LP, subparagraph 535 E.



C Selecting eLDP Applications for Spotcheck

eLDP applications processed by County Offices will only be subject to random spot checking when the certification indicator is "Yes".

Exception: When a producer has been flagged as a required spot-check in the customer profile, all of the flagged producer's eLDP applications will be selected for spot checking regardless of whether the certified LDP indicator data field is "Yes" or "No".

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